

# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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GAIL FARBER, Director

February 19, 2013

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

**Dear Supervisors:** 

**ADOPTED** 

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

CHANGES IN WORK FOR
VARIOUS PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS
IN THE CITIES OF CERRITOS, DOWNEY, LAKEWOOD, AND
NORWALK AND IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES OF
AGOURA HILLS, BIG ROCK, CORNELL, EL NIDO,
FERNWOOD, MALIBU LAKE, MONTE NIDO,
OLD CANYON, AND WEST CHATSWORTH
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 3, 4, AND 5)
(3 VOTES)

#### SUBJECT

This action is to approve changes in work and the increased contract amounts for various public works construction contracts in the Cities of Cerritos, Downey, Lakewood, and Norwalk and in the unincorporated communities of Agoura Hills, Big Rock, Cornell, El Nido, Fernwood, Malibu Lake, Monte Nido, Old Canyon, and West Chatsworth.

#### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

Find that the requested changes in work will have no significant effect on the environment and approve the changes and increased contract amounts for the following construction contracts:

• Project ID No. RDC0014393 – Culverts Upgrade, Phase 1, related to cleaning, video inspection, and lining of existing corrugated metal pipes and corrugated metal pipe arches and the construction of manholes, in the unincorporated communities of Agoura Hills, Big Rock, Cornell, El Nido, Fernwood, Malibu Lake, Monte Nido, Old Canyon, and West Chatsworth, for additional cleaning, with an increase in the contract amount of \$10,000, performed by Superior Gunite; and

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• Project ID No. TSM0010092 – Studebaker Road, related to modification and synchronization of traffic signals, in the Cities of Cerritos, Downey, Lakewood, and Norwalk, for permit fee reimbursement, exploratory excavation, additional conduit termination, extending existing conduits and rewire traffic signal systems, and variations in bid quantities with an increase in the contract amount of \$81,804.12, performed by Steiny and Company, Inc.

#### PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to obtain approval of the projects from the Board for changes in various public works construction contracts in support of the timely completion of the projects while avoiding delays and the potential for claims. The descriptions of the changes, estimated costs, and the necessary time extensions are listed in the enclosure for each contract.

The Director of Public Works (Director) or her designee has been authorized by the Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Enclosed for the Board's approval are changes in work in excess of the Director's delegated limits, which are required to complete Project ID Nos. RDC0014393 and TSM0010092.

## **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Integrated Services Delivery (Goal 3). Approval of these changes will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public and enhance the quality of life in the affected communities.

## **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

These changes in work will have no impact to the County General Fund.

Project ID No. RDC0014393, with an increase in the contract amount of \$10,000, is included in the Third and Fifth Supervisorial Districts' Road Construction Program in the Fiscal Year 2012-13 Road Fund Budget.

Project ID No. TSM0010092, with an increase in the contract amount of \$81,804.12, is included in the Fiscal Year 2012-13 Proposition C Local Return Fund Budget.

If these changes in work are not approved, contract completion will be delayed and increased costs incurred.

## FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Each of the subject contracts for the construction of public works improvements were awarded by the Board to the apparent responsible contractors with the lowest responsive bids in accordance with the State Public Contract Code, the Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director or her designee.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The changes in work as described above and in the enclosures do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

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## **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

Each contract provides that the contractor be compensated for the work resulting from changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs are based on contract unit prices, time and materials, or negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the costs of the changes are included in the enclosures.

## **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Approval of the requested changes by the Board will ensure the timely completion of work under each of the respective contracts and result in complete and usable facilities.

## **CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,

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**GAIL FARBER** 

Director

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**Enclosures** 

Chief Executive Office (Rita Robinson)
 County Counsel
 Executive Office
 Internal Services Department (Countywide Contract Compliance)

# CHANGE IN WORK (APPROVE) February 19, 2013

<u>PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014393 - Culverts Upgrade, Phase 1</u> (in the unincorporated communities of Agoura Hills, Big Rock, Cornell, El Nido, Fernwood, Malibu Lake, Monte Nido, Old Canyon, and West Chatsworth), Supervisorial Districts 3 and 5, Contractor: Superior Gunite.

## **Project Description:**

Cleaning, video inspection, and lining of existing corrugated metal pipes and corrugated metal pipe arches and the construction of manholes.

## Change in Work:

Additional cleaning

\$10,000.00

## Description of Change:

During video inspection, additional debris, rock, and sediment was discovered in the existing corrugated metal pipes. It is necessary to remove all of this material prior to placing the liners. The cost for this work will be based on time and material as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

Five additional working days will be required because of this change.

#### Financial Information:

The project cost will be financed with State Proposition 1B Transportation Bond funds under the Local Streets and Road Improvement, Congestion Relief, and Traffic Safety Account of 2006. Funding for this project in work is included in the Third and Fifth Supervisorial Districts' Road Construction Program in the Fiscal Year 2012-13 Road Fund Budget.

## **Revised Contract Amount:**

Original contract amount Change in work to be approved	\$1,069,744.00 10,000.00
Revised contract amount	\$ <u>1,079,744.00</u>
Percent total change to original contract amount	0.9%

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# CHANGES IN WORK (APPROVE) February 19, 2013

PROJECT ID NO. TSM0010092 – Studebaker Road (in the Cities of Cerritos, Downey, Lakewood, and Norwalk), Supervisorial District 4, Contractor: Steiny and Company, Inc.

## **Project Description**:

Modification and synchronization of traffic signals and other appurtenant work.

## Changes in Work:

(1)	Permit fee reimbursement	\$ 3,352.92
(2)	Exploratory excavations	45,450.00
(3)	Additional conduit	3,090.40
(4)	Extend existing conduits and re-wire traffic signal systems	27,518.50
(5)	Variations of bids	2,392.30
	Total	\$81,804.12

# **Description of Changes:**

- (1) It is necessary to reimburse the contractor for a Caltrans encroachment permit fee.
- (2) It is necessary for the contractor to locate utilities that are not shown on the plans by conducting exploratory excavations.
- (3) It is necessary to install additional conduit in the median instead of the parkway area due to conflict with an existing drain.
- (4) To complete the project per plans and avoid the destruction of stamped colored concrete at the median island noses, it is necessary to extend conduits, install pull boxes, and rewire the traffic signal systems at the intersections of Studebaker Road and 183rd Street and Studebaker Road and South Street. This work will be done during nighttime hours to avoid traffic impacts at the Cerritos Auto Mall.

(5) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The increase in contract prices reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.

The costs for Items 1 and 3 will be based on time and materials as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications. The costs for Items 2 and 4 will be negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications. The cost for Item 5 will be based on contract unit prices.

Sixteen additional working days will be required because of these changes.

## Financial Information:

This project is financed with Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority 2001 Call for Projects, Proposition C Discretionary Grant Funds for the Gateway Cities Forum and the Proposition C Local Return match funds. On an annual basis, the Board has established a \$2.5 million top-of-pot (TOP) allocation from the Proposition C Local Return Fund Budget for the County's Traffic Congestion Management Program. The Highways-Through-Cities (HTC) funds and funds for the State's jurisdictional share consist of Proposition C Discretionary Grant funds and Proposition C Local Return funds. The work will be done at no cost to cities involved.

Funding for these changes in work is included in the Fiscal Year 2012-13 Proposition C Local Return Fund Budget.

## Revised Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$630,970.00
Changes in work to be approved	81,804.12
Revised contract amount	\$ <u>712,774.12</u>
Percent total change to original contract amount	13%

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